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Notice of Panel Decision from Pre-Appeal Brief Review

This is in response to the Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review filed <u>9/16/06</u>.

| | 1. Improper Request – The Request is improper an reason(s): | d a conference will no | ot be held for the following |
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| | ☐ The Notice of Appeal has not been filed concurred. ☐ The request does not include reasons why a revenue. ☐ A proposed amendment is included with the Present Cother: | view is appropriate. | · |
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| | 2. Proceed to Board of Patent Appeals and Interfineld. The application remains under appeal because the is required to submit an appeal brief in accordance with brief will be reset to be one month from mailing this decrunning from the receipt of the notice of appeal, whicher appeal brief is extendible under 37 CFR 1.136 based up of the notice of appeal, as applicable. | ere is at least one act 37 CFR 41.37. The ti ision, or the balance over is greater. Further | ual issue for appeal. Applicant ime period for filing an appeal of the two-month time period the time period for filing of the |
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| | 3. Allowable application – A conference has been allowance will be mailed. Prosecution on the merits remapplicant at this time. | held. The rejection is nains closed. No furth | withdrawn and a Notice of ner action is required by |
| | 4. Reopen Prosecution – A conference has been he action will be mailed. No further action is required by approximately action in the property of the proper | | vithdrawn and a new Office |
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